HOUSE BILL 865

By Haston

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, relative to instructional salaries and wages.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-3-306(b)(4)(B)(i), is amended by deleting the subdivision and substituting instead the following:

- (a) When funds are appropriated through the basic education program (BEP) funding formula for instructional salaries and wages, all such funds must be expended by an LEA on instructional salaries and wages.
- (b) The state board of education shall determine the percentage of any increase in funds appropriated to the instructional salaries and wages component of the BEP for a fiscal year, as compared to the funds appropriated to the instructional salaries and wages component of the BEP for the immediately preceding fiscal year, and shall increase the minimum salary on the state salary schedule by that percentage, if any.

SECTION 2. This act takes effect July 1, 2021, the public welfare requiring it, and applies to increases in funds appropriated to the instructional salaries and wages component of the BEP for the 2021-2022 school year and any school year thereafter.